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SUBJECT: MUNITIONS SHIPMENT FROM UK TO CHILE

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- 1. JOHN URE, HEAD, SOUTH AMERICA DEPARTMENT, FCO CALLED EMBOFF MAY 30 TO FOLLOW UP ON DAS BUSHNELL'S INQUIRY REGARDING THE SUBJECT SHIPMENT OF MUNITIONS FROM THE UK TO CHILE (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO URE, THE SHIPMENT CONSISTED ENTIRELY OF AMMUNITION FOR BRITISH-BUILT OBERON CLASS SUBMARINES AND LEANDER CLASS FRIGATES WHICH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY CONTRACTED FOR. AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OF THE PRIOR CONTRACT, HMG DECIDED TO ISSUE EXPORT LICENSE PURSUANT TO ITS STATED POLICY OF HONORING ITS CONTRACT OBLIGATIONS WITH CHILE.
- 2. FYI: URE ALSO NOTED THAT BRITISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON BRIEFED ANDEAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR BARNEBY ON THIS SUBJECT MAY 5. END FYI. CONFIDENTIAL

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